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SUBJ: LATEST INSTALLMENT OF SUGAR STATISTICS

REF: A. NOUAKCHOTT 1536 B. NOUAKCHOTT 1484 C. STATE 140418

1. AS DOUBLE CHECK ON ADMITTEDLY QUESTIONABLE FIGURES (REFS A&B) SUPPLIED BY STATE TRADING AGENCY (SOMINES) IN RESPONSE TO REF C, EMBOFF OBTAINED FURTHER SETS FIGURES FROM CUSTOMS OFFICIALS AS WELL AS FROM CENTRAL BANK OF MAURITANIA. UNLIKE FIGURES REPORTED REF A, FOLLOWING TOTALS ARE SAID TO BE ACTUAL RATHER THAN PROJECTED. (FYI: SOMINES OFFICIALS HAVE ALSO SUBSEQUENTLY ADMITTED TO EMBOFF THAT HEEIR EARLIER FIGURE MAY HAVE INCLUDED SOME RICE AS WELL END FYI).

2. TOTAL SUGAR IMPORTATIONS FROM PERIOD JANUARY 1 1977 TO JUNE 30, 1978 (ONE AND ONE-HALF YEARS):

	TONS	VALUE DOLS US
CUBES: (510,008 CTNS)	13,551	\$6,156,271.42
CONES: (575,836 SACKS)	39,939	41,094,277.49
POWDER: (3,982 SACKS)	201	55,798.96
TOTAL	53,691	47,306,347.87

THIS REPRESENTS ROUGHLY 35,900 TONS ON AN ANNUAL BASIS.

3. FIGURES SUPPLIED BY THE CENTRAL BANK IN ITS QUARTERLY STATISTICAL BULLETIN SHOW A TOTAL OF 32,294 TONS FOR 1977
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BROKEN DOWN BY MONTHS BUT NOT BY CATEGORY.

4. WE CONSIDER THESE FIGURES MORE RELIABLE THAN THOSE REPORTED NOUAKCHOTT REFTEL. KRYZA

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